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neovascularization (ne'o-vas'ku-lar-i-za'shun)

Proliferation of blood vessels in tissue not normally containing them, or proliferation of blood vessels of a different kind than usual in tissue. **choroidal n.** ingrowth of new vessels from the choriocapillaris into the subretinal pigment epithelium and the retina; space associated with damage to the outer retina. **classic choroidal n.** well-demarcated areas of hyperfluorescence observed in the early phases of a retinal angiogram. **occult choroidal n.** area of leakage of undetermined source seen in the late phases of a retinal angiogram. **Type 1 choroidal n.** ingrowth of new vessels from the choriocapillaris into the subretinal pigment epithelial space; associated with damage to the outer retina. **Type 2 choroidal n.** ingrowth of new vessels from the choriocapillaris into the subretinal space; associated with damage to the outer retina.

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